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Adoption of the report of the Forum on its ninth session

Draft report

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Organization of the session

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. The United Nations Forum on Forests held its ninth session at United Nations Headquarters on 1 May 2009 and from 24 January to 4 February 2011. The Forum held __ plenary meetings (1st to __). Working Group I held __ meetings and Working Group II held __ meetings.

2. The session was opened by the Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs.

B. Attendance

3. In accordance with paragraph 4 of Economic and Social Council resolution 2000/35, the Forum is composed of all States Members of the United Nations and States members of the specialized agencies of the United Nations, with full and equal participation. Representatives of the following States attended the session:

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4. The following United Nations offices and organs were represented:

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5. The following specialized agencies were represented:

[*To be completed*]

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6. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented:

[*To be completed*]

7. The following non-governmental organizations were represented:

[*To be completed*]

C. Election of officers

8. At its 1st meeting, on 1 May 2009, the Forum elected, by acclamation, the following officers to the Bureau of its ninth session:

Vice-Chair:
Zainol Rahim Zainuddin (Malaysia)
Raymond Harold Landveld (Suriname)
Ndiawar Dieng (Senegal)

9. At its 2nd meeting, on 24 January 2011, the Forum elected the following officers, by acclamation:

Chair:
Arvids Ozols (Latvia)

Vice-Chair:
Ingwald Gschwandtl (Austria)

10. At the same meeting, the Forum was informed that the Vice-Chair, Ndiawar Dieng (Senegal), would also serve as Rapporteur for the ninth session.

11. Also at the same meeting, the Forum was informed that the Vice-Chairs, Ingwald Gschwandtl (Austria) and Zainol Rahim Zainuddin (Malaysia) would serve as Co-Chairs of Working Group I, and that the Vice-Chairs, Ndiawar Dieng (Senegal) and Raymond Harold Landveld (Suriname) would serve as Co-Chairs of Working Group II.

D. Agenda and organization of work

12. At its 2nd meeting, on 24 January 2011, the Forum adopted its provisional agenda for the session as contained in document E/CN.18/2011/1. The agenda read as follows:

1. Election of officers.
2. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.
3. Assessment of progress made on the implementation of the non-legally binding instrument on all types of forests and towards the achievement of the four global objectives on forests.
4. Regional and subregional inputs.
5. Forests for people, livelihoods and poverty eradication:
   (a) Community-based forest management;

(b) Social development and indigenous and other local and forest-dependent communities, including forest land tenure;

(c) Social and cultural aspects.

6. International Year of Forests 2011.

7. Emerging issues.

8. High-level segment.

9. Multi-stakeholder dialogue.

10. Enhanced cooperation and policy and programme coordination, including the provision of further guidance to the Collaborative Partnership on Forests.

11. Means of implementation for sustainable forest management.

12. Forum Trust Fund.

13. Other matters.

14. Dates and venue for the tenth session of the Forum.

15. Provisional agenda for the tenth session of the Forum.

16. Adoption of the report of the Forum on its ninth session.

13. At the same meeting, the Forum approved its organization of work for the session, which was contained in an informal paper.

14. Also at its 2nd meeting, the Forum approved the application of the intergovernmental organization African Forest Forum (see E/CN.18/2011/18) for accreditation to participate in the ninth and future sessions of the Forum.

E. Documentation

[*To be completed*]